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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1772 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

MICHAEL J. BAUHOFF

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EXAMINER: ALICIA ANN CHEVALIER

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FOR: INTEGRAL STRUCTURES OF METAL AND PLASTIC WITH FASTENING

MEANS

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Introductory Comments

This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2004. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and submit the following in support thereof. Please amend the application as follows:

Sir: